DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Not quite true.

SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: There was an allegation made by the then Chief Minister of Assam that RAW was involved in the Bodo agitation in Assam. This was the statement made, with all responsibility, by the then Chief Minister of Assam. I would like to know from the Home Minister whether it is true?

Secondly, the disintegration is to such an extent that every community in Assam today feels very insecure, This is because of the wrong policies adopted by the A.G.P. Government. Therefore, I would like to know whether the present Government in Assam, I mean, the Central Government, is taking any step to bring about unity among the different communities in Assam? If so, what steps are being taken?

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I want to clarify one point. RAW is in no way involved in internal matters. The hon. Member should know that RAW does not participate in internal activities. The only activity they undertake sometimes is, when there is some threat from outside and if it threatens the security or peace and order in the country, they inform the intelligence agencies or the security forces about that. But they do not get themselves involved in this type of activity. The allegation—whosoever has made it—is totally baseless, incorrect and, if I may say so, totally mischievous.

I want to make another point clear. I agree with the hon. Member that because of economic backwardness and a sense of neglect in these areas, there are hard feelings. The Government is taking into consideration all aspects of economic development of the backward regions because the very essense of planning was that we should not allow regional disparities to grow. Pandit Nehru in 1950, while inaugurating the Planning Commission, said that regional imbalances were going to cause a serious threat to the unity of the country. The Government is consciousness of this fact and in the next few months we shall do something to see that this feeling is not accentuated in the regions which happen to be backward for such a long time.

DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: For information, the communal organisations like ULFA came into existence prior to 1985.

SHRI N.K.P. SALVE: Is he supplementing the answer of the Prime Minister ?

DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: It is just for information.

Karnataka-Maharashtra Border Dispute

*162 SHRI A.G. KULKARNI: †

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during Prime Minister's visit to inaugurate the statue of late Shri Y.B. Chavan in the Assembly Complex at Bombay in November, 1990 the Maharashtra Chief Minister had raised the question of finding a solution to the border problem between Karnataka and Maharashtra ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction to this long standing issue which is creating tension in the border areas?

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†The Question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri A.G. Kulkarni.

STATE IN TNE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Sir, the Home Minister says: "(a) No, Sir. (b) Does not arise." The Prime Minister is laughing. I am really surprised. Many Members were present.

MR CHAIRMAN: Don't you like his laughing?

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: I always like his laugh, but you know the difficulty, when it is with certain intention I get a little distrubed. So, when the Prime Minister came to Bombay to inaugurate the statue of late .

MR. CHAIRMAN: That you have already written in your question. Come to the point. Do not repeat the question.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: I will do it in a proper way. I have got a lot of experience.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Kulkarni, there is another gentleman with a longer expereince. He told me that what I was doing is incorrect and I should be more firm, as firm as Dr. Radhakrishnan. Yesterday, you complained to me against myself. इसलिए आपका कोई पाइंट है तो उस पर बोलिये, इधर-उधर मत बोलिये ।

श्री अरविन्द गणेश कुलकर्णी : मैंने सोचा कि आपका व्याख्यान हो जाए तो मैं सुन लूं ।

श्री सभापति : आप व्याख्यान मत दीजिए, सवाल पूछिए । आप व्याख्यान नहीं देंगे, सवाल पूछेंगे ।

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Many Parliament Members and newspaper representatives were present. They personally heard that the Chief Minister of Maharasthra raised this question about Maharasthra-Karnataka border issue. I never said that the Prime Minister agreed or did not agree. My question says whether the issue was raised. You should have said that the issue was raised. That should have been a correct answer.

Now the Prime Minister was kind enough to state in reply to the previous question of Assam that negotiations and dialogues are the bases of democracy in this country. The people of border areas are suffering for the last 35 years And my particular grouse is that they are totally non-violent. When Mr. Hegde was the Chief Minister he promised Shri Sharad Pawar that the circular which forced Kannada language on the Marathi speaking students would be withdrawn, but the circular has not been withdrawn and it is still going on. In this connection, my simple request to the Prime Minister, if he is going to reply would be to kindly state whether he is going to have a fresh thinking on this issue. While finding a solution to the Punjab problem you have said that you are prepared to talk to militants. In this case, at least these two Chief Ministers should be called in this month.

DR. BAPU KALDATE: They are no militants. That is the difficulty.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you want to bring militancy in Maharashtra also?

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI As a democrat, I would request him to oblige us by saying that he will call the two Chief Ministers and findout the problem involved

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR) Mr. Chairman, not as Prime Minister but as an individual I know

the problem. The problem is hanging fire for the last 35 years. The answer given by my colleague is totally correct because Shri Sharad Pawar talked to me as an individual, not the Chief Minister talking to the Prime Minister because there is no communication in the Government of India. The answer will be as has been given by my hon. Colleague. When I want to Bombay, Shri Sharad Pawar mentioned to me about this so-called dispute on Belgaum and I told him then and there that this is a matter between the two Chief Ministers and the Government of India have hardly the role to play. But, when I was pressed by friends like Shri A.G. Kulkarni and others, I said that both the Chief Ministers happen to be my friends; if my good offices can be of any use, surely I shall ask them to sit together and settle this matter among themselves. Mr. Chairman, Sir, I want to make it very clear that the matter is to be decided between the two Chief Ministers, and the Goverment of India can do pretty little in this matter.

SHRI A. G KULKARNI: Sir, I am thankful to the Prime Minister but I can't even call him (*Interruptions*) Sir, the problem, is, there being friendship, I can't attack him. But then, I have to attack for the issue purpose. The issue is very vital to us.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You raise the issue

SHRI A. G KULKARNI So, I would only like to know from the Prime Minister whether, at least, he will concede that the he will call them. You have no role, I can understand that, but would you call those Chief Ministers in this month itself so that some negotiations will start? You have started calling even Mr. Mann and his militants, so, why not call Mr. Bangarappa and Mr. Sharad Pawar? .. (*Interruptions*)... Mr. Bangarappa has a beard.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Mr. Bangarappa has no beard, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I am sure you are not equating Mr. Mann and Mr. Bangarappa. I hope you are not equating them.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : I am not equating. But what I want is, when the Prime Minister has requested Mr. Maan and his militants to discuss, it is not very offensive if he calls them.

MR. CHAIRMAN : You want that he should call both of them.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : He should call both of them in the month of January.

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR : Sir, I have no objection to calling them. But there is no question of calling : Shri Bangarappa and Shri Sharad Pawar are coming this evening. Both of them have told me that they are coming for other purposes, but surely I will speak to them individually and, if necessary, together, to see whether they could find some solution to this problem among themselves. I shall be too happy about it.

DR YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Why not take the assistance of Apa Saheb also ?

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : Sir, this question is coming before the House off and on, and the Prime Minister has agreed to talk to the chief Ministers. You have said it, isn't it ? You have said that you would talk to the Chief Ministers when they are here. Sir, I have no objection if he talks to the Chief Ministers. But there are only two alternatives for this problem, if you consider it a problem. One is, close this issue once and for all, or, if you do not want to close this issue once and for all, then please implement the Mahajan Commission's recommendations. There is no

other alternative—no use in calling the Chief Ministers, no use in negotiating with the Chief Ministers. But I have no objection if you want to talk to them. But the question is, you please close this issue and announce it, if you can; or, make them agree to this; or, if you want a settlement, let the Mahajan Commission's recommendations be implemented.

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: Mr. Chairman, Sir, it is a very good suggestion. We have closed the matter but the matter is being opened by Shri Gurupadaswamy and Shri A.G. Kulkarni. What can we do about it?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Sir, the Prime Minister has skirted the real issue with a certain degree of political finesse which he is used to. He is willing to intervene *qua* Shri Chandra Shekhar; he is not willing to intervene *qua* the Prime Minister. That is the sum and substance of his reply. Sir, to the earlier question he has said that he does not want tensions to be built up in any region whatsoever. *Qua* Prime Minister he answered that. Now I would like to know from him, is is he waiting till the Karnataka people start attacking us there in that region?

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA : Nobody has attacked anybody (*Interruptions*).

SHRI A G. KULKARNI : Karnataka has imposed Canarese. Why do you say that? No, we do not want to learn Canarese.

SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR: please don't fight here.

SHRI A G. KULKARNI : They say that the Marathi population there should learn Canarese. Why should we learn Canarese?

MR. CHAIRMAN : But you cannot disturb others.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : Mr. Salve is quite justified in asking that.

MR CHAIRMAN : Let him ask that. Why are you disturbing him?

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : I am not.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : From what happened in the House, you know how genuine are my apprehensions about Karnataka attacking us. Sir, tensions are being built up in that region.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: If we take in Parliament this kind of attitude, what kind of message will go? Is Karnataka attacking Maharashtra today? Why should we talk in these terms? Mr. Kulkarni may attack Mrs Margaret, and Mrs. Margaret may attack Mr. Kulkarni . We are sending a wrong message from the Government. (*Interruptions*).

You are a senior parliamentarian.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Please take your seat

SHRI H HANUMANTHAPPA: Don't create Punjab and Assam elsewhere (*Interruptions*).

MR CHAIRMAN: Please take your seat.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI . What are you talking?

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Don't take the attitude of the Shiv Sena.

SHRI N K. P. SALVE : What I am submitting is this. Sir, I concede immediately that the people of Karnataka are peace-loving people, and so are the people of Maharashtra But, Sir, tensions are nonetheless being created. That is the reality. Now, when the tensions are being created, I would like to know what the Prime Minister . . . (*Interruptions*).

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Don't talk.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: I will ask

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Sir, it is the political reality that the two Chief Ministers can never come to any understanding because none of them would be anxious to lose his job. Therefore, Sir, may I know of the Prime Minister what prevents him from interfering *qua* the Prime Minister to avoid any future problem in that region.

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: Mr. Chairman, Sir, you can yourself judge how unreal this tension is. Shri Salve and Shri A.G. Kulkarni, both of them, preferred to drag on this issue because the attack was from the hon. lady Member and they enjoyed it.

Mr. Chairman, Sir, I have some relation with this problem for quite some time, for a longer period. There was a time when the Government of India intervened in this matter. The Mahajan Commission was appointed My friend, Shri Salve, knows better that it was opposed by the Government of Karnataka. It was on the insistence of the Government of Maharashtra that that Commission was appointed. I was in some way involved in that. The Mahajan Commission Report came. Again the matter remains there. It is now for the Chief Ministers of these two States to solve it. The Government of India cannot go on raking up the matter again and again. That is my inability to intervene in the matter as the Prime Minister of this country

SHRI A G KULKARNI:*

MR. CHAIRMAN: This will not go on record What he has spoken without my permission, will not go on record.

*Not recorded.

डा० बापू कालदाते: सभापति जी, यह बात सही है कि प्रधानमंत्री जी जो कह रहे हैं कि इसमें टेंशन तो है। सवाल यह है कि कई सालों से यह जो मसला है वैसा का वैसा पड़ा हुआ है। इसमें बुनियादी तौर पर महाराष्ट्र के लोगों का यह कहना है कि कोई सिद्धान्त का अमल इसमें नहीं किया गया है। अगर सिद्धान्त का अमल नहीं होता है और कोई रिपोर्ट होती है तो यह स्वाभाविक है कि हम लोग सिद्धान्त के प्रति आग्रह से केन्द्रीय सरकार को कहें कि इस मसले को सिद्धान्त के अनुसार हल किया जाए।

आपने जो कहा, उससे मैं सहमत नहीं हूं कि केन्द्रीय सरकार इसमें कुछ नहीं कर सकती है। यह बात सही नहीं है क्योंकि

it is an off-shoot of the SRC Commission's report.

आफ्टर आल एस०आर सी० कमीशन की रिपोर्ट जो आई है इसमें अंतिम निर्णय लेने का अधिकार केन्द्रीय सरकार का है। इसलिए मैं आपसे दरख्वास्त करता हूं कि इन लोगों को अवश्य बैठा दें, हल हो गया तो सबसे ज्यादा खुशी होगी। लेकिन आप यह मत कहिये कि हमारा इससे संबंध नहीं है। अंतिम संबंध केन्द्रीय सरकार का ही है और इस मसले को हल करने की अंतिम जिम्मेदारी आपकी है तो इन जिम्मेवारी को आप जरूर निभायें ऐसा मेरा आपसे निवेदन है और यही मेरा आपसे सवाल है।

श्री चन्द्रशेखर: सभापति जी, इस देश में जहां भी असंतोष है या लोगों के मन में किसी बात से चिंता है तो हम यह नहीं कह सकते कि उससे हमारा कोई संबंध नहीं है। उससे हमारा संबंध है लेकिन कठिनाई वहां आ जाती है जहां सिद्धांतों की व्याख्या करते समय महाराष्ट्र की एक व्याख्या है, कर्नाटक की दूसरी व्याख्या है। कर्नाटक के लोग कहते हैं कि सिद्धांत के आधार पर ही महाजन आयोग का चयन हुआ था और उस सिद्धांत के आधार पर ही उन्होंने एक निर्णय

लिया था । अब महाराष्ट्र के लोग कहते हैं कि वह सिद्धांत पूरे रूप से क्रियान्वित नहीं हुआ है । यह तो निरंतर चलता रहेगा ।

श्री एन. के. पी. साल्वे : हमारे हक में आप फैसला दें ।

श्री चन्द्र शेखर : इसलिए कठिनाई यह है कि आयोग के फैसले को बदलने का अधिकार केन्द्र सरकार को नहीं है । फैसला अगर बदलना होगा तो दोनों राज्यों की सहमति से बदल सकता है । यह हमारी कठिनाई है । यह मैं नहीं कहता कि हमारा इसमें कोई सबंध नहीं है । लेकिन हमारे लिये ये परिधियां है, सीमा है, उस सीमा के अंदर हम बात कर सकते हैं । कर्नाटक और महाराष्ट्र सरकारों के लिए वैसी कोई सीमा नहीं है । वे अपनी अपनी बात कहते हैं । हम दोनों की बातों को जानते हैं । इसलिए उस सीमा के अंदर बात करते हैं ।

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: I think the Hon. Prime Minister has almost answered whatever apprehensions we had.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So your question has been answered.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: I would, therefore, like the hon. Prime Minister to please at least assure us that the matter would not be raked up over and over again. The Maharashtra people wanted a decision. The Mahajan Commission's Report is still pending. Let it be implemented. We did not want the Commission. Maharashtra wanted the Commission And when the report comes, they say they don't want the report of the Commission. The Centre must now intervene There has to be justice This is very unfair to rake up such issues at a time when we have enough problems already in our hands Let it go on peacefully. There is no problem. We are not going to lose territory to some foreign Government. I do not know what they are fighting about. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Jadhav, please take your seat.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHARAO JADHAV:**

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: I ask the hon Prime Minister therefore if-he would be prepared to give an assurance that this matter would be considered and settled once and for all and not raned up again and again so that new tensions are not created in the area. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: I have no intention to rake up the matter. But how can I assure that the matter would not be raked up as long as Shri A G. Kulkarni and Smt. Margaret Alva are there?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next question

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, I had raised my hand.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. It is my right to decide. Please sit down.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, it is very much concerned with my State.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If it concerns your State, then I should give chance to all the Members of Parliament from Maharashtra.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: But this is very important question and I had raised my hand right from the very beginning.

**Not recorded.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Everything is important. Q. No. 163.

*163. (*The questioner (Shri Mehendra Prasad) was absent. for answer*, vide *Col.* 34—35 infra

तमिलनाडु, केरल, कर्णाटक तथा आंध्र प्रदेश में "लिट्टे" (एल. टी. टी. ई.) के उग्रवादियों की गतिविधियां

*164. **श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या तमिलनाडु केरल, कर्णाटक, तथा आन्ध्र प्रदेश मे "लिटटे" (एल० टी टी ई० द्वारा उग्रवादी गतिविधिया किये जाने की जानकारी मिली है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो ऐसी गतिविधियो का स्वरूप तथा विस्तार क्या है , इस संबध मे क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं तथा उन के क्या परिणाम निकले है ?

गृह मंत्रालय मे राज्य मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुबोध कान्त सहाय): (क) और (ख) एक विवरण सदन के पटल पर रखा जाता है।

विवरण

1. जहा तक केरल, कर्नाटक और आंध्र प्रदेश का संबंध है, एल०टी टी ई० द्वारा की गई किसी कार्रवाई का पता नही चला है ।

2. तमिलनाडु सरकार ने बताया है कि तमिलनाडु में श्रीलंका के तमिल उग्रवादियों द्वारा अवैध और चोरी छिपे रूप से की गई कुछ गतिविधियो का पता चला है । राज्य सरकार ने बताया है कि वह कानून और व्यवस्था को बनाए रखने और अवैध रूप से की गई गतिविधियों की रोकथाम करने के लिए सभी आवश्यक उपाय किये जायेंगे ।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : श्रीमन, मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या सरकार को मालूम है कि एल० टी० टी० ई० की जो कार्यवाहियां हैं, उनको संबंध आंध्र मे जो पीपल्स वार ग्रुप है, उससे भी है, या नही है ? क्या उनके सबध मे, जैसा कल माननीय प्रधान मंत्री जी ने इस सदन मे स्वीकार किया कि एल टी टी०ई० के सबध मे उलझा से है, तो क्या नक्सलाईट एक्टिविटीज जो आंध्र मे है, वह भी उसके साथ इन्वाल्वड है, या नही है ?

प्रधान मंत्री (श्री चन्द्रशेखर) : सभापति जी, सरकार को यह जानकारी है कि दक्षिण भारत मे एल०टी०टी०ई० के लोग कम से कम हथियार लोगों को देने मे कई ऐसी उग्रवादी सस्थाओं से संम्बन्ध रखे हुए हैं और आंध्र में जो लोग वहा पर हिंसा कर रहे है, उनकी हथियार बेचने का काम भी एल०टी०टी०ई० के लोगों ने किया है । सरकार को इसकी पूरी जानकारी है ।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : मेरा दूसरा प्रश्न यह है कि दिखावे के रूप मे एल०टी०टी०ई० का उद्देश्य कुछ दूसरा है, जो पीपल्स वार ग्रुप है, उसका दूसरा, और पंजाब और श्रीनगर के जो मिलिटेंट्स है, उनका तीसरा है, दिखावे का। तो इन सब के सबध मे, मैं सरकार से पूछना चाहता हू कि क्या वह इस नतीजे पर पहुंची है कि इनके सबध के पीछे क्या कोई एक उद्देश्य है ? यदि कोई एक उद्देश्य है, तो क्या है ?

श्री चन्द्रशेखर : सभापति जी, हम इन्हें उद्देश्य के बारे मे तो नहीं बता सकते, लेकिन सदन को यह बात जरूर सूचित करना चाहते हैं कि इस प्रकार की जो गतिविधिया देश के अंदर, जिन लोगों का इन्होंने नाम लिया, वह भी और उनके अलावा और दूसरे लोग भी आपस में किसी न किसी स्तर पर तालमेल रखते हैं, जो बहुत खतरनाक बात है, जो एक बहुत चिंताजनक बात है । सरकार इस बारे में जानकारी रखती है और इन संबधों को विक्षेप करने के लिए हमने पिछले पद्रह दिनों से कुछ कदम उठाये हैं ।